

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Chatham School District****Federal Tax ID: 92-0057395****Project Title:****Chatham School District - Angoon Schools: Plow Truck****State Funding Requested: \$ 40,000**  
One-Time Need**House District: 5 - C****Brief Project Description:**

Funding will purchase a plow truck which will assist the school district with snow removal and access for school children walking to school.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$40,000**Funding Secured

Amount	FY
There is no other funding needed	

Other Pending Requests

Amount	FY
There is no other funding needed	

Anticipated Future Need

Amount	FY
There is no other funding needed	

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Angoon Schools depend on the City of Angoon to clear parking lots and school pathways and other school-related areas. The City of Angoon was unable this year and last year, to plow those needed areas because of lack of money and lack of proper equipment. This created a safety and attendance issue for students and staff. The Chatham School District needs to have a snow plow attached to the maintenance truck to keep the schools open at all times. The truck will also be used for maintenance during the summer, spring and fall times when snow is not a factor.

The present maintenance truck is a 1990 Ford Ranger. It needs extensive repair due to age and use. The truck is used extensively by the district for movement of large and heavy objects as well as daily maintenance needs. Repairs have been made recently but more are now needed.

**Project Timeline:**

Funding will be secured in the summer of 2008, bids will go out in June, with purchase being made in August.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Chatham School District

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

# Chatham School District

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**Goal:** To seek fiscal support for the purchase of a maintenance truck for the Chatham School District and the schools at Angoon.

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**Funding:** There is no funding available from the site. In-kind donations in the area of up-keep and maintenance will be provided locally. All insurance will be provided by the district.

**Estimate  
Cost:** \$40,000.00

**Timeline:** February -request for funds  
June-bidding process will begin  
August-board approval of bids  
August- purchase made/insurance provided

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## Community

**Profile:** Angoon is the largest permanent settlement on Admiralty Island. It is at the head of Hood Bay on the island. It is 97 km (60 miles) southwest of Juneau. The only other community on the island is Cube Cove, to the north. According to the United States Census Bureau, the city has a total area of 38.6 square miles (99.9 km<sup>2</sup>), of which, 22.5 square miles (58.3 km<sup>2</sup>) of it is land and 16.1 square miles (41.7 km<sup>2</sup>) of it (41.69%) is water.

Present attendance at the Angoon Elementary is 52 and there are 41 attending the Eli Katanook Middle High School.

Unemployment rate is approximately 97%.